UNITED S	TATES DISTRICT COURT			
FOR THE I	DISTRICT	OF MARYLAND	ORIGINAL	
SHARI AND MARK CHASE	)		UKIGINAL	
Plaintiffs,	)			
v.	)	Civil Action No.:	WMN-01-3169	
THE SCOTTS COMPANY	)			
Defendant	)			

### PRETRIAL ORDER

#### Statement of Facts in Support of Plaintiffs' Claims. A.

The Plaintiffs, Shari and Mark Chase, propose to prove the following facts. Plaintiffs are husband and wife, with two small sons, who in 1998 lived at 13919 Shannon Avenue, Laurel, Maryland. In the Fall of 1997 and the Spring of 1998, Mark Chase purchased a lawn care product called Patchmaster, manufactured by the Defendant, which was designed for use in areas of a yard where it was difficult to grow grass. Bags of the product were purchased in a sealed and undamaged condition from a local Hechinger's store, and had been sold by Scotts to Hechinger without evidence of any alteration in the condition of the product between the time that it left Scotts' hands and when it reached the consumer. Patchmaster consists of mulch, fertilizer, and a surfactant, and is not supposed to contain any more than background levels of arsenic, a toxic heavy metal.

In the Fall of 1997 and Spring of 1998 both Mark Chase and Shari Chase applied Patchmaster on multiple occasions, by hand, as instructed by the label on the product, which contained no warnings about arsenic or other poisons. Beginning in approximately May of 1998, Shari Chase developed a variety of medical conditions, including gastrointestinal problems, skin

lesions, and severe neurological problems. Other members of the family also had gastrointestinal symptoms to varying degrees. Shari Chase underwent a variety of medical tests and treatments as doctors struggled to diagnose the cause of her illness.

In October of 1998 Shari Chase suffered a seizure, and was hospitalized at Laurel Regional Hospital. She was then transferred to Johns Hopkins Hospital, where in an effort to diagnose the cause of her multiple problems doctors finally did screening tests for heavy metals that showed very high levels of arsenic. Following her release from the hospital, the Prince George's Health Department investigated this arsenic poisoning, and did screening tests on the rest of the family, which showed elevated arsenic levels in Mark Chase and one potential elevated level in Alexander Chase. The Health Department tested a variety of products in the Chase home, including their water, and was unable to identify a source of this arsenic exposure. The Health Department did only composite soil testing, and did not identify a specific source of arsenic.

Testing was then done on the Chase property by Travelers Loss Prevention and Engineering, which showed a specific area in the Chase yard, which revealed a highly elevated arsenic level. Shari Chase, as a result of this and further testing reported to Scotts that arsenic was present in areas where Patchmaster had been used in their yard, whereupon Scotts' agent hired DataNet to do soil testing in the Chases' yard. DataNet's engineer tested areas where he could see residue of mulch consistent with Patchmaster, and which was included in the sampling. A number of these areas in the Chases' yard showed extremely elevated arsenic levels. Although the Chases' backyard deck was made of pressure treated wood, the areas of extremely elevated arsenic were not under the deck area, but in areas where Patchmaster had been specifically applied.

Shari Chase's acute symptoms from her arsenic poisoning left her with a very severe and debilitating illness which left her near death, and she was hospitalized for several weeks. Once the arsenic poisoning diagnosis was reached, she was treated for chronic arsenic poisoning, and her arsenic levels gradually subsided as her symptoms improved. Arsenic is a known carcinogen, and she has been followed by physicians, including an oncologist, Dr. Clement Knight, who continues to screen her periodically for cancer. Shari Chase has residual symptoms from her arsenic poisoning, including neurological symptoms, and continues to be treated by Dr. Warren Ross for the residuals of her arsenic poisoning. Medical expenses incurred for diagnosis and treatment of the arsenic poisoning, hospitalization, medication, and other treatment for the more acute phase of her illness were approximately \$70,000, and the Plaintiff is incurring ongoing costs for treatment with Dr. Ross and Dr. Knight.

As a result of Shari Chase's illness and symptoms, there was a tremendous strain on the Chases' home and family life. Although the medical evidence shows that Mark Chase was exposed to arsenic, there is no claim now being made for any medical symptoms personally experienced by him. The Plaintiffs do claim loss of consortium, including damage to the marriage relationship and the emotional effects of Mrs. Chase's devastating illness.

The Plaintiffs will produce expert testimony regarding arsenic, its toxic effects, and that the routes of exposure to arsenic include inhalation, dermal exposure and ingestion.

Toxicologist, Nicholas Lappas, Ph.D. will explain the effects of arsenic, and the laboratory testing data showing Shari Chase's arsenic exposure. The evidence will be that the current medical literature suggests that while most arsenic leaves the body relatively quickly, particularly in cases of chronic arsenic exposure there is a body burden of arsenic that can linger for much longer periods and is quite variable on an individual basis.

The Plaintiffs will call Dr. John Adams, a Forensic Pathologist, who will testify that the source of Shari Chase's arsenic poisoning was the Scotts' Patchmaster product through all three routes of exposure. He will testify regarding her symptoms that were caused by this arsenic poisoning, the health effects on Mrs. Chase, and the treatment that was directed to diagnosing and addressing these symptoms in the various body systems.

The Plaintiffs will also call Richard Albright, an Environmental Specialist with the District of Columbia Government with substantial experience in arsenic in soils. He is expected to testify that the most likely source of the arsenic in the Patchmaster was tainted fertilizer in the product. The evidence will be that Scotts did no testing on the Patchmaster product for arsenic until after the Chases' exposure and then only because the State of Washington required it. Scotts has a log of consumer complaints that predate Shari Chase's illness, related to exposure to Patchmaster in pets and humans, but no testing of arsenic was done on the product as a result of any such complaints before the Plaintiffs' exposure.

The legal theories upon which the Plaintiffs will proceed, in this case based on diversity jurisdiction under Maryland law, are as follows:

- 1. Strict products liability;
- Negligent manufacture, and failure to test the product; 2.
- 3. Breach of implied warranty of merchantability;
- Unfair and deceptive trade practices in labeling of the product, under the 4. Maryland Commercial Law Article, Article § 13-408(b);
- As a result of these theories, claims for personal injury to Shari Chase and loss of 5. consortium to Shari and Mark Chase.

## B. Statement of Facts in Support of Defendant's Defenses.

Mark and Shari Chase purchased their home on Shannon Avenue in 1987 as a new home. Several years after moving in, Mark constructed a deck at the rear of the home. The deck was constructed with pressure treated wood that Mark cut on site. He knew that the wood contained arsenic. Plaintiffs' expert Richard Albright confirmed that the wood most likely had been treated with chromated copper arsenate ("CCA") and that a side yard fence also appeared to have been treated with CCA. The back yard was enclosed with a wood fence, some portion of which Albright testified might have been CCA treated wood.

There were also break-ins in the neighborhood. Automobiles owned by the Chases and parked at the house were vandalized on two occasions.

Patchmaster is a lawn repair product. It is comprised of 70% mulch (paper), approximately 20% fertilizer, 10% seed, and small amounts of green dye and surfactant, a wetting agent. The fertilizer component is made up of nitrogen, monoammonium phosphate, and potash, and can be applied with bare hands.

Patchmaster was manufactured on behalf of Scotts by U.S. GreenFiber, L.L.C., in Elkton, Virginia. No other lawn care products are made at that facility. No products containing arsenic are maintained at the plant. There has been very little sickness among plant employees and no mysterious or unexplained health issues.

GreenFiber ships Patchmaster to Scotts warehouses after producing and packaging the material. The product is then shipped to retailers, such as Hechinger's, where it passes out of Scotts' control. Plaintiffs did not keep any of the product or its packaging and do not have a copy of the sales receipt. It is also impossible to determine how long the bags in question were

out of Scotts' possession and under the control of the Hechinger's store from which the plaintiffs claim to have purchased Patchmaster.

Arsenic is not an intended ingredient in Patchmaster. But arsenic is an element that is present naturally in the earth's crust. Trace amounts can be found in fertilizer products. Scotts tests all its fertilizers and products containing fertilizer for the presence of heavy metals and reports the results to the State of Washington. The results are available to the public through a web site, www.wa.gov/agr/. These tests indicate that arsenic is present in Patchmaster at levels below 2 ppm.¹ Plaintiffs' expert John Adams acknowledges that this level of arsenic in Patchmaster would not be associated with adverse health consequences. The highest level of arsenic reported in any Patchmaster product is 1.82 ppm.

After the plaintiffs filed this lawsuit, Scotts ordered arsenic testing of 49 of 89 samples of Patchmaster that had been retained by GreenFiber. Although these samples had not been maintained systematically for analysis purposes, they did come from the period when the Patchmaster allegedly purchased by Mark Chase likely would have been manufactured. Those results again reflect arsenic levels in Patchmaster less than 2 ppm. Based on all the testing data that Scotts has regarding arsenic in Patchmaster, it is physically and chemically impossible that Patchmaster was the source of Shari Chase's arsenic exposure. No known valid testing of Patchmaster has ever shown levels of arsenic greater than trace amounts. In the decade since Patchmaster's inception, Scotts has never received one complaint of arsenic in the product.

IMC Global, Inc. ("IMC") almost certainly was the supplier of the monoammonium phosphate ("MAP") used in the fertilizer component of the Patchmaster allegedly purchased by the plaintiffs. Because phosphoric acid is also used as a food additive in animal feed, IMC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Earlier testing by Scotts had indicated the presence of arsenic at levels between 9 and 29 ppm. Scotts later determined that the analytical methodology used in these tests to measure arsenic gave falsely high results.

observes a strict policy of testing it for arsenic as well as other heavy metals. That testing has never revealed elevated levels of arsenic. Analysis of MAP conducted monthly from 1995 to 2000 shows consistent arsenic levels between 10 and 12 ppm.<sup>2</sup> Increased levels of arsenic have not been found in the Florida mines from which IMC obtains its phosphate. Published literature demonstrates that elevated levels of arsenic have not been reported in any Florida phosphate.

Shari Chase's exposure to arsenic was discovered during a heavy metals screen conducted while she was hospitalized at Johns Hopkins. Her urine thereafter was tested on numerous occasions. Arsenic clears from the body very quickly, with over 90% of an ingested dose of inorganic arsenic excreted in the urine within six days. Chase's total urinary arsenic, however, remained above 50 ug/L, the upper range of normal reported by most of the labs, during her hospitalization in early November 1998, after her return home to Shannon Avenue, and after she and her family moved out of their home and into a hotel on December 12, 1998. An elevated level of 171 ug/L (total arsenic) was measured in November 2000, nearly 1 ½ years after the Chases had sold their Shannon Avenue home and moved out. This and other data is consistent with continuing exposure to arsenic and inconsistent with exposure to arsenic in Chase's lawn.

After Shari Chase's release from the hospital in November 1998, officials from the Prince George's County Health Department ("PGCHD") and Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene began an investigation of the plaintiffs and their home to determine the source of her arsenic exposure. As a result of the investigation, Arthur Thacher, Health Officer for PGCHD, wrote a letter to Shari Chase that stated that, "based on all of the medical and scientific evidence we have gathered to date, we conclude that the source of your arsenic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Arsenic levels in Patchmaster are less than what is in the MAP because fertilizer comprises only about 20% of Patchmaster and MAP is only one ingredient in the fertilizer.

exposure is not environmental and the most likely route of exposure is by ingestion." Thacher further stated in his letter that, "[w]hile the exact source of arsenic is unknown, your home environment (water, soil, dust) evidently is not the source of your elevated arsenic levels." The investigation ruled out an environmental source as the cause of the Chase's arsenic exposure. There were three primary factors that led to this conclusion:

- 1. Shari Chase could not have gotten a significant dose of arsenic via absorption through the skin or from inhalation.
- 2. Ingestion of arsenic-containing material in the soil was not a credible explanation because of the amount of dirt that Shari Chase would had to have eaten in order to have obtained the urinary arsenic levels that she did.
- 3. Chase continued to experience elevated levels of arsenic while in the hospital and after returning home, which indicated a continuing source of exposure that was inconsistent with anything in the yard being a source.

Sometime in December of 1998, Shari Chase contacted the Travelers Insurance Company, which sent representatives to the plaintiffs' home to perform additional testing. Travelers took one soil sample from the back yard. It thereafter divided this sample between soil and what was described as an "unknown" substance, specifically, "green chunks of fibrous material." The unknown substance was determined to be 95% cellulose. Among other things, it was reported to contain 430 ppm arsenic<sup>3</sup>, 640 ppm zinc, and 440 ppm lead. According to Bill Evans, Senior Research Scientist at Scotts, Patchmaster contains neither zinc nor lead. In addition, although there were higher levels of lead than arsenic in this sample, Shari Chase had no evidence of lead poisoning.

Additional sampling was conducted in the yard of the Chase residence in 1999. That sampling revealed:

• elevated levels of arsenic in some areas where Patchmaster had been used

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The result for arsenic is of questionable validity because the analytical method used for the analysis is known to give falsely high results.

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- no elevated levels of arsenic in other areas where Patchmaster had been used
- elevated levels of arsenic in areas where Patchmaster had not been used

Although the yard sampling revealed some areas of elevated arsenic, the levels of arsenic posed no realistic threat to human health. Levels of arsenic in soil similar to what was found at the Chase residence have been detected in other settings. Scientific studies of people who reside in such settings have shown no incidence of arsenic poisoning.

Shari Chase had high levels of arsenic detected in her hair and in her urine. It is biologically impossible for the arsenic in her body to have come from the arsenic detected in the yard. The opinion of plaintiff's expert to the contrary is implausible and not based on sound scientific principles and methods. Chase's arsenic poisoning almost certainly came from something unidentified that she ate or drank, either accidentally or deliberately. It had nothing to do with Scotts Patchmaster.

Shari Chase's claim for damages is excessive and unjustified. Items she claims as special damages are not related to her exposure to arsenic.

#### C. Other Claims.

None.

#### D. Amendments to Pleadings.

None.

#### E. Issues and Pleadings to be Abandoned.

None.

# F. Stipulation and Proposed Stipulations

## 1. Stipulation

Without in any way waiving objections as to relevance, the parties hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

- a. The documents listed on Plaintiffs' Exhibit List and on Defendant's

  Exhibit List are authentic copies of the original documents and that they

  are what they purport on their face to be.
- b. As to those documents listed on Plaintiff's Exhibit List and Defendant's Exhibit List that are medical records, records of public agencies or records reflecting the results of the analyses of biological, environmental or product samples, the parties stipulate and agree that such documents qualify as records of regularly conducted activity within the meaning of Rule 803(6). Federal Rules of Evidence.

## 2. Plaintiff Proposed Stipulation

(Per the Request for Admissions of Fact).

## H. Damages Claimed.

- 1. Past Medical Expenses through August, 2002 \$ 70,790.05
- 2. Ongoing Medical Expenses –
  next one to two years \$ 4,543.00 (per year)
- 3. Household items which had to be discarded \$ 3,212.32
- 4. Living expenses (hotel and related expenses due to relocation to temporary living quarters) \$ 16,021.70

\$ 26,467.16

579.00 (per year)

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- 5. Cleanup of arsenic exposure to sell house \$ 8,321.05
- 6. Renovations to new house to accommodate Plaintiff's illness
- 7. Future medical expenses Dr. Knight, laboratory work, chest x-ray
- 8. Body Scan \$ 800.00 (per year)
- I. Exhibits Lists.

See attached.

## J. Witness List.

- A. Plaintiffs' Expect to Present the Following Witnesses.
  - 1. Shari Chase;
  - 2. Mark Chase;
  - W. Warren Wright, III,
     6334 Dogwood Road
     Baltimore, Maryland 21207;
  - John E. Adams, M.D.
     827 West Padonia Road
     Cockeysville, Maryland 21030;
  - Nicholas Lappas, Ph.D.
     Department of Forensic Sciences
     The George Washington University
     Washington, D.C. 20052;
  - Richard D. Albright
     61 Prospect Bay Drive
     Grasonville, Maryland 21638;
  - 7. Clement Knight, M.D. 11065 Little Patuxent Parkway Columbia, Maryland 21044 (By Videotape);

- 8. Barry Lance, M.D.
  14201 Laurel Park Drive
  Suite 214
  Laurel, Maryland 20707
  (By Videotape or live);
- 9. Warren Ross, M.D.
  Crossroads Medical Associates
  4801 Dorsey Hall Drive
  Suite 201
  Ellicott City, Maryland 21042
  (By Videotape);
- 10. Rose Bartosevich 139167 Shannon Avenue Laurel, Maryland
- 11. Roxanne Gordon 10239 Shirley Meadow Court Ellicott City, Maryland.

The Plaintiffs may call the following witnesses, if the need arises:

- Debbie Frew
   14331 Oxford Drive
   Laurel, Maryland;
- Judy Sturm
   2705 Cooper Creek Road
   Oakton, Virginia 20171;
- Janice Tweety
   21207 Sparrow Court
   Germantown, Maryland;
- Tim Morris
   Williamsburg Homes
   P.O. Box 1018
   Columbia, Maryland 21044;
- 5. Fran Berk 3945 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008;

- Joyce Glidden
   6346 Ducketts Lane Elkridge, Maryland;
- 7. Mark Wells, D.C. 11615 Beltsville Drive Beltsville, Maryland;
- Erik Karlson
   Service Master
   P.O. Box 256
   Garrett Park, Maryland 20896;
- 9. Ernest T. Rodez
  The Fine Carpentry, Inc.
  10840 Guilford Road
  Suite 403
  Annapolis Junction, Maryland 20705
- Arthur Thacher
   Prince George's County Health Department
- 11. Page Timberlake Greenfiber
- 12. Any witness on Defendant's witness list.
- B. Defendants expect to call the following witnesses:
  - Bill Evans
     Senior Research Scientist
     The Scotts Company
     14111 Scottslawn Road
     Marysville, OH 43041
  - Bob Roser
     Director of Analytical Laboratory
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     14111 Scottslawn Road
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  - 3. Jerry Boroff
    Director of Seed Operations
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    14111 Scottslawn Road
    Marysville, OH 43041

# 4. Jeff Knape

Senior Buyer

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## 5. Joseph Gliksman

Manager of Continuous Improvement

**IMC** Phosphates

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Mulberry, FL 33860

## 6. Page Timberlake

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## 7. Ed Billmaier

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14111 Scottslawn Road

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## 8. Dr. Alphonse Poklis

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Medical College of Virginia

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Richmond, VA 23298

## 9. Dr. Glen Millner

Vice-President and Senior Toxicologist

Center for Toxicology and Environmental Health (CTEH) L.L.C.

615 West Markham Street

Little Rock, AR 72201

## 10. Dr. Michael Greenberg

110 West Lancaster Avenue

Wayne, PA 19087

## 11. Arthur Thacher

Prince George's County Health Dept.

1701 McCormick Drive

Largo, MD 20774-5310

## Defendants may call the following witnesses:

- Craig D. Queen 1. Peregrine, Stime, Newman, Ritzman & Bruckner, Ltd. 221 East Illinois Street, P.O. Box 564 Wheaton, IL 60189-0564
- 2. Doug Prehm Director of Customer Service Account Teams The Scotts Company 14111 Scottslawn Road Marysville, OH 43041
- 3. Detective Sgt. Richard Speake Laurel Maryland Police Dept. 350 Municipal Square Laurel, MD 20707-4150
- 4. Mercedes Lawrence Prince George's County Health Dept. Division of Epidemiology and Disease Control 1701 McCormick Drive Suite 240 Largo. MD 20774-5310
- 5. Any witness named on Plaintiffs' witness list.

#### K. Depositions.

Exclusive for impeachment purposes, the Plaintiffs may offer the following deposition testimony:

#### 1. William Evans

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#### 2. Robert Roser

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## 3. Edward Billmaier

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## <u>Defendant's Counter-Designation Pursuant to F.R.C.P. 32(a)(4):</u>

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## 4. Page Timberlake

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## Defendant's Counter-Designation Pursuant to F.R.C.P. 32(a)(4):

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The Defendant may offer the following deposition testimony:

## 1. Craig Queen

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#### 2. Robert Ehlenberger

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#### L. Other Pretrial Relief.

As of the date of the preparation of this Proposed Pretrial order, there is pending before the Court Plaintiffs' motion to compel with respect to Defendant's responses to request for admissions.

#### M. Other Matters.

The Plaintiffs request the right to file a Motion in Limine regarding evidentiary issues if necessary. Defendant intends to file a Motion in Limine to Exclude Certain Evidence.

## Respectfully submitted,

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## PLAINTIFFS' PROPOSED EXHIBIT LIST

- 1. DataNet proposal to McClaren Toplis, 04/14/99.
- 2. DataNet report, 05/19/99.
- 3. Figure 1, Data Net report (blowup).
- 4. Table 1, Analytical Results, DataNet Report.
- 5. ATEL Certificates of Analysis.
- 6. Analytical Consulting Technologies Report to Travelers Loss Prevention & Engineering, 12/23/98.
- 7. WSSC water test report, 11/30/98.
- 8. Brujos Scientific report, 01/05/99.
- 9. Bell Environmental report, 06/11/99.
- 10. Ehlenberger sketch, deposition exhibit 1.
- 11. Ehlenberger sketch, deposition exhibit 2.
- 12. Microcheck testing, orange juice sample, 09/16/98.

- 13. Maryland DHMH - reports of orange juice testing.
- 14. P.G. Health Department test results, household items.
- 15. P.G. Health Department, soil test results.
- 16. NMS Report, Shari Chase hair, date received: 12/03/98.
- 17. NMS Report, Shari Chase hair, date received: 01/25/99.
- 18. NMS Report, Shari Chase hair, date received: 04/09/99.
- 19. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase hair, collected 12/28/98.
- 20. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase hair, collected 01/12/99.
- Quest Diagnostics Report, Shari Chase hair, 21. 03/30/99.
- 22. Quest Diagnostics Report, Shari Chase 24-hour urine test, received: 11/06/98.
- Quest Diagnostics Report, Shari Chase, random 23. urine, received: 11/12/98.
- Quest Diagnostics Report, Shari Chase, 24-hour 24. urine, received: 11/18/98.
- American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random 25. urine, received: 12/07/98.
- American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random 26. urine, received: 12/08/98.
- American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random 27. urine, received: 12/09/98.

- 28. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase 24-hour urine, received: 12/10/98.
- 29. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 12/12/98.
- 30. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase 24-hour urine, received: 12/15/98.
- 31. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 12/18/98.
- 32. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase 24-hour urine, received: 12/21/98.
- 33. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 12/28/98.
- 34. American Medical Labs Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 12/29/98.
- 35. University of Maryland Pathology, Shari Chase random urine, received: 01/11/99.
- American Medical Labs, Shari Chase random urine. 36. received: 02/09/99.
- 37. American Medical Labs, Shari Chase random urine, received: 03/26/99.
- 38. Quest Diagnostic Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 05/04/99.
- 39. Quest Diagnostic Report, Shari Chase random urine, received: 11/00
- Quest Diagnostics Report, Shari Chase random urine, 40. received: 02/27/01.
- Great Smokies Lab, Shari Chase random urine, 41. received: 12/23/01.

- 42. National Medical Services, Mark Chase hair, received: 12/03/98.
- 43. American Medical Labs, Mark Chase hair, received: 12/30/98.
- 44. LabCorp A.S. Exposure Profile, Mark Chase received: 12/08/98.
- 45. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, random urine, received: 12/07/98.
- 46. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, random urine, received: 12/08/98.
- 47. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, random urine, received: 12/09/98.
- 48. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, 24-hour urine, received: 12/10/98.
- 49. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, random urine, received: 12/11/98.
- 50. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, 24-hour urine, received: 12/15/98.
- 51. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, 24-hour urine, received: 12/21/98.
- 52. University of Maryland Pathology, Mark Chase, random urine, received: 12/21/98.
- 53. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase, collected: 12/28/98.
- 54. American Medical Labs Report, Mark Chase urine, collected: 01/11/99.
- 55. NMS Report, Alexander Chase hair, received: 12/03/98.
- 56. American Medical Labs Report, Alexander Chase, random urine, received: 12/07/98.

- 57. American Medical Labs Report, Alexander Chase, random urine, received: 12/08/98.
- 58. American Medical labs Report, Alexander Chase, random urine, received: 12/09/98.
- 59. American Medical Labs Report, Alexander Chase, random urine, received: 12/10/98.
- 60. American Medical Labs Report, Alexander Chase, random urine, received: 03/25/99.
- 61. NMS Report, Brent Chase hair, received: 12/03/98.
- 62. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase random urine, received: 12/07/98.
- 63. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase random urine, received: 12/08/98.
- 64. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase random urine, received: 12/09/98.
- 65. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase, 24-hour urine, received: 12/10/98.
- 66. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase random urine, received: 12/11/98.
- 67. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase 24-hour urine, received: 12/15/98.
- 68. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase 24-hour urine, received: 12/21/98.
- 69. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase, random urine, received: 01/25/99.
- 70. American Medical Labs Report, Brent Chase, random urine, received: 02/08/99.
- 71. Prince George's County, Arsenic Poisoning Questionnaire, Shari Chase.

- 72. Prince George's County, Arsenic Poisoning Questionnaire, Mark Chase.
- 73. Prince George's County, Arsenic Poisoning Questionnaire, Brent Chase.
- 74. Prince George's County, Arsenic Poisoning Questionnaire, Alexander Chase.
- 75.A-? Blowups of yard photographs.
- 76. Patchmaster Specifications SCO 0317-19.
- 77. MSDS Sheets SCO 320-30.
- 78. Patchmaster bag labels SCO 7-13.
- 79. Patchmaster bag sample.
- 80. Scott's metals testing results Micro Macro International SCO 382-389.
- 81. Scott's metals testing ANA Lab SCO 367-381
- 82. Scott's metals testing Thornton Lab SCO 398-405.
- 83. Scott's metals testing, Micro Macro SCO 416-424.
- 84. Scott's Customer Logs SCO 331-342.
- 85. Scott's Computer Notes SCO 717-18.
- 86. Brujos Scientific Bill.
- 87. Bell Environmental Bill.
- 88. Discarded items list.
- 89. Marriott Hotels bills and charges.
- 90. Premier Days Inn bills and charges.
- 91. Comfort Inns bills and charges.
- 92. Bills for eating out.

- 93. Spring Spectrum/PCS bills.
- 94. MCI Worldcom bills.
- 95. Bell Atlantic bills.
- 96. Sports/exercise equipment bills.
- 97. Babysitting bills.
- 98. Day care bills.
- 99. Service Master cleanup bills.
- 100. Arthur Black bill.
- 101. Widner-Hall Chimney Service bill.
- 102. Laurel Regional Hospital records.
- 103. Johns Hopkins Hospital records.
- 104. Medical bill Lance, Gaynes, Zavadil & Argento.
- 105. Medical bill Travers, Lazarus, Levitt & Burke.
- 106. Medical bill Dimensions Imaging Services.
- 107. Medical bill Laurel Regional Hospital.
- 108. Medical bill Johns Hopkins.
- 109. Medical bill University of Maryland Medical Group.
- 110. Medical bill University of Maryland Pathology Associates.
- 111. Medical bill Dermatology & Cosmetic Surgery Associates.
- 112. Medical bill Dr. Larry Silver.
- 113. Medical bill ENTAA Care.
- 114. Medical bill PG Radio Diagnostics.

- 115. Medical bill Maryland Oncology.
- 116. Medical bill Quest Diagnostics.
- 117. Medical bill Community Radiology.
- 118. Medical bill Ambulatory Endoscopy of Maryland.
- 119. Medical bill Feldman, Messick, et al.
- 120. Medical bill Scott Nutter, DPM
- 121. Medical bill Labcorp.
- 122. Medical bill Dr. Andrea Sullivan.
- 123. Medical bill Dr. Robert Maggin.
- 124. Medical bill Drs. Rosenberg & Langereis.
- 125. Medical bill Rural/Metro Mid-Atlantic.
- 126. Medical bill Advanced Radiology.
- 127. Medical bill Dr. Nespeca.
- 128. Medical bill Dr. Michael Lasser.
- 129. Medical bill RiverHill Wellness Center.
- 130. Medical bill Crossroads Medical Associates.
- 131. Medical bill American Radiology Associates.
- 132. Medical bill Central Maryland Rehab Center.
- 133. Medical bill Giant Pharmacy.
- 134. Medical bill Safeway Pharmacy.
- 135. Medical bill Orthopedic Associates of of Central Maryland.
- 136. Medical bill BrainChild Nutritionals.

- 137. Medical bill Kirkman Laboratories.
- 138. Medical bill Great Smokies Diagnostic Lab.
- 139. Medical bill Neighborcare.
- 140. Medical bill AAL Reference Laboratories.
- 141. Medical bill Advanced Chiropractic of Beltsville.
- 142. Medical bill K-Mart Pharmacy.
- 143. Medical bill Executive Electrolysis.
- 144. Medical bill Basil Saidedy, D.D.S.
- 145. Medical bill John Fields, D.D.S.
- 146. Medical bill Stephen Kleiman, D.D.S.
- 147. Medical bill Flag House.
- 148. Medical bill Homecall Mail.
- 149. Medical bill Future Horizons.
- 150. Medical bill Mail Boxes, Etc.
- 151. Medical bill Columbia Association- Spa Membership.
- 152. Richard Albright Affidavit, c.v. and report.
- 153. John Adams, M.D., Affidavit, c.v. and report.
- 154. Nicholas Lappas, Ph.D., Affidavit, c.v. and report.
- 155. P.G. Health Department health Questionnaire Shari Chase.
- 156. Liebeler Affidavit and attachments.

157. Any Exhibit Identified on Defendant's Exhibit List.

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	)	
THE SCOTTS COMPANY	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

# **DEFENDANT'S EXHIBIT LIST**

Defendant The Scotts Company, by counsel, hereby lists the following documents and things that it may offer as exhibits at the trial of this matter. Defendant reserves the right to withdraw and not to offer any documents and things contained on this list and to offer any documents and things that might be on the Plaintiffs' Proposed Exhibit List.

	No.	Description
1.		Testing Documents of Travelers Insurance Company
2.		Testing Documents of Bell Environmental
3.		Testing Documents of Brujos Scientific
4.		12/24/98 Letter from Art Thacher to Shari Chase (PGHD 0000007 - 8)
5.		Soil Sampling Results of Prince Georges's County Health Department (PGHD 000123 - 128)
6.		Scotts Customer Inquiry Log (SCO 000331 - 342)
7.		Urinary Arsenic Summary for Shari Chase
8.		Patchmaster Specifications (SCO 000317 - 319)
9.		One 5 Pound Bag of Patchmaster
10.		One 15 Pound Bag of Patchmaster
11		One bottle of Bayer Advanced Lawn All-in-One Weed Killer

12.	4/25/02 Testing Documents of ANA-LAB on Greenfiber Retains (SCO 000610 - 620)
13.	August 2000 Arsenic Testing for State of Washington (SCO 000357 - 376)
14.	Storage Bag for Greenfiber Retains
15.	University of Maryland Student Transcript for Shari Chase
16.	4/14/99 e-mail from Craig Queen to Ed Billmaier (SCO 000533)
17.	4/21/99 e-mail from Craig Queen to Ed Billmaier (SCO 000537)
18.	4/27/99 e-mail from Craig Queen to Ed Billmaier (SCO 000539)
19.	4/14/99 letter from Craig Queen to Shari Chase (SCO 000001 - 2)
20.	5/7/99 letter from Craig Queen to Shari Chase (SCO 000004)
21.	PGCHD Expected and Actual Urine Arsenic Levels for Shari Chase (PGHD 000045)
22.	7/22/00 Letter from Shari Chase to Art Thacher (PGHD 000226)
23	7/22/00 Letter from Shari Chase to Mercedes Lawrence (PGHD 000227)
24	6/9/98 Police Record of call from Shari Chase (LCPD 000011)
25.	2/16/99 Police Record of call from Shari Chase (LCPD 000031)
26.	12/31/98 Police Interview of Shari Chase (LCPD 000084 - 146)
27	2/1/99 Police Interview of Mark Chase (LCPD 000147 - 194)
28.	3/2/99 Letter from Dr. Larry Silver to Shari Chase (SILVR 000001)
29.	NMS Report of Forensic Hair Testing on Shari Chase (NMS 000001 - 3, 7 - 28)
30	NMS Report of Forensic Hair Testing on Mark Chase (NMS 000001, 6, 29 - 42)
31.	NMS Report of Forensic Hair Testing on Brent Chase (NMS 000001, 5, 43 - 56)
32.	NMS Report of Forensic Hair Testing on Alex Chase (NMS 000001, 4, 57 - 70)
33.	Letter from Dr. Richard Bacharach to Warren M. Ross (PL 001305)
34	Johns Hopkins Social Work Assessment Note (PL 000882)
35	Progress Note from Dr. Barry Lance(UMTS 000002 - 3)
36	Office Visit Note from Dr. James Keogh (PL 000681)

37.	10/29/01 Howard County Police Report (HCPD 000002)	
38.	10/30/01 Howard County Police Report (HCPD 000003)	
39	Johns Hopkins Clinic Note (JH 000012 - 15)	
40	Johns Hopkins Lab Results (JH 000065)	
41.	Demonstrative Evidence still to be identified	

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